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REQUEST FOR

CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may

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3. Fees	The RCE fee under 3	7 C.F.R. § 1	.17(e) is required by 3	37 C.F.R. § 1.114	when the RCE is filed.			
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Request for Continued Examination (RCE			1	\$ 395	·	\$ 790		
Multiple Depende Claims			0 x \$ 180	\$ 0	x \$ 360	\$		
Total Claims	35 - 20=	15	15 x \$ 25	\$ 375	x \$50	\$		
Independent Claims*	5 - 3=	2	2 x \$ 100	\$ 200	x \$200	\$		
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